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Federal Communications Commission Michael K. Powell, Chairman 445 12''St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Cell Phones

Dear Sir:





This is a letter about the portability of cell phone numbers. It is my understanding that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has voted to require that, beginning November **2003**, that cell phone numbers will be portable. This makes sense and will be a significant benefit to consumers and small business people.

Another related issue that the FCC could address is the balkanization of cell phone technology. If our landline companies had as many different systems as do the cell phone companies, our U.S. phone system would be far more costly and less reliable. The wireless world uses several different standards and reliability and usefulness have suffered. In addition, wireless towers have proliferated because of the duplication caused by the competing standards. Industry **sorts** out the competing standards by seeing who losses the most money. The consumers and stockholders who "buy" into the losing technology are the true losers. Standards are a legitimate area of control for the Federal Government. Please do what you can so that all cell phones can talk to each other and to any landline.

Sincerely

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